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U.S. State Dept Criticised For Negative China Policy

16 Killed In Political Riot

Bogota, Apr. 18.—The provincial authorities reported today that 16 persons were killed yesterday in the main clash of the bloody political rioting in Colombia. All sources agreed that the Army had succeeded in restoring order.

The official figure on casualties was 16 Conservatives, one Liberal and one soldier. However, the Bogota newspapers continued to report the number of dead as 30 to 40, a number which had been estimated unofficially in the main fight between soldiers and some 200 armed civilians. —United Press.

As Good As A Lighter

Prague, Apr. 18.—Belgrade Radio today claimed that a Yugoslav engineer had invented a match that could be ignited 100 times.

It was reported in a broadcast picked up here, that the match utilised a newly-discovered chemical produced in the experimental laboratory at Zagreb.

The broadcast, quoting the official Yugoslav news agency Tito, said the wonder match would be put on sale in Yugoslavia shops on May 1. It was described as about four inches long and somewhat thicker than an ordinary match. —United Press.

STILL VERY ILL

New York, Apr. 18.—Dr Stephen S. Wise, 75-year-old President of the American Jewish Zionist Organisation, was still in a critical condition today. Hospital officials said Dr Wise responded to treatment during the night but there was no essential change in his condition from yesterday when he emerged from a two-day coma. —Reuter.

SHIP DISASTER: BIG DEATH ROLL

Guyanque, Ecuador, April 18.—Officials said today that most of the 50 passengers aboard the steamer Farahon, were drowned or burned to death when the vessel caught fire at Puerto Bolivar on Saturday. No exact death toll could be fixed. Rescue boats sailed through the waters off the south Ecuadorian port searching for possible survivors and bodies. —United Press.

Constructive Criticism

In their original manifesto and at their public meetings the Reform Club have placed great emphasis on the desire and intention to offer constructive criticism of Government and public affairs—a commendable basis on which to conduct any forum. But, as we have observed before, constructive criticism of the Administration is nothing new or original in Hongkong; still to be demonstrated, however, is what it actually achieves in changing or modifying official policy and actions. Government, through its executive officers, has frequently welcomed constructive criticism as a "healthy sign" of public opinion, and by inference has indicated a willingness to be persuaded to give heed to this type of advice. Nevertheless, experience has shown that this official recognition of constructive criticism is mainly lip service to a democratic tenet and that very seldom does Government do anything more about it. The brief wall which the Colony's civil service has built between itself and the public is today just as resistant to constructive suggestions from third parties as ever before. For the most part Government politely listens, then just as cynically ignores. It is supremely confident in the par excellence of its policies and methods, and radical changes are considered to be vexatious and bothersome. And it is in the matter of policy where Government remains adamant. Occasionally it listens to protests and grumbles regarding small matters which have some effect on the lives and comforts of the community and will adopt suggestions that deal with trifles but have no effect on policy; for these crumbs the community must duly express its gratitude, and everybody is expected to feel completely happy and satisfied. But on larger issues, constructive criticism is more cavalierly treated. It is either "nated," or it will be "given due attention," or it is just dismissed as being "contrary to practice and policy," and therefore, of course, beyond the pale. In the field of constructive thought, Government has, from time to time, been asked to discard its "conspiracy of silence" policy and take the public fully into its confidence; that has been ignored; it has many times been suggested that a new and more enlightened system of budgeting be adopted; that is lightly brushed aside; Government has been asked to submit to the public at regular intervals policy statements; that too is blandly pigeon-holed. On most subjects of major importance, especially where official policy is involved, Government remains indifferent to constructive criticism; proposals are a "healthy sign," but they produce no positive reaction. The Reform Club has been becomingly constructive in its criticism to date, but so far there has been no manifestation on the part of Government as to whether it is prepared to listen, to any of this criticism; still less whether it is likely to act upon it. By its attitude and actions to date, Government gives the impression that it regards Vox Populi, less as a "healthy sign," and more as a nuisance which has to be tolerated, and, wherever possible, forgotten. The best hope, of course, is that the Reform Club will accomplish what others before them have failed to do—make a sufficient impression on the official mind, so that it will not only listen to constructive criticism, but will be willing to embody it in future policy and actions. That would be an historical achievement. —Reuter.

Red Plot To Create Negro Nation

Conspiracy Trial Evidence

New York, Apr. 18.—A Georgia negro, who said he was trained in Moscow, testified today that a negro nation was to have been formed from Southern sections of the United States by the flames of violent revolution.

William Odell Nowell, a U.S. government employee, told a jury in the conspiracy trial of 11 top Communists that he once was a student of revolution at the feet of Party leaders in Russia. There, he said, Red Army instructors schooled him in "the science of civil warfare."

Other instructors, he testified, lectured on "the violent overthrow of the Capitalistic system and the establishment of a proletarian dictatorship."

Out of this blood bath, Nowell said, was to come a new negro nation, conceived in violence and dedicated to extending the Communist revolution throughout the United States.

It was to extend from Virginia to the Mississippi delta,

Nowell said—"the Black Belt of the South," where Communists claimed negroes were in the majority. —Associated Press.

RE-DEFINITION URGED

The Danger Of Communism

Washington, Apr. 18.—Republican Senator Karl Mundt, condemning the State Department for doing "nothing" to stem the Communist tide in Asia, tonight called for a re-definition of United States foreign policy along positive, consistent lines.

Senator Mundt's attack came in a speech at the opening session of the 58th Continental Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Recalling his support last year as House Foreign Affairs Committee member of the initial Marshall Plan, Senator Mundt said he had lost some of his enthusiasm. He said the plan originally was designed to assist countries anywhere in the world in their fight against Communism, but that objective had been "stricken" as a result of "inaction on the part of the executive."

"No assistance is now being extended to China," said Senator Mundt. "Asia, apparently, has been marked off as a 'cause.' Over half the people of this globe are being left to shift for themselves and seem about to fall into the clutches of Communism. Against this awful possibility and this imminent prospect, our State Department not only frowns on efforts by Congress to extend some help to avert this calamity, but offers nothing—definite, positive, eloquent and completely nothing—as an alternative programme with any prospect for success."

As a result, Senator Mundt said, half the world was collapsing while "we try to stem the tide of Communism by building a higher, broader and more expansive dyke on one side of the river while leaving the red waters to rush in to flood the plains of Asia." That was a "devastating and most discouraging prospect," he added. He said the United States' foreign policy must be clarified, and must be made "positive, consistent, inclusive, effective and understandable—and, above all, a realistic foreign policy, which will resist evil where it finds it and which will realize that the world cannot be half bad and half good without bringing ruin to the whole."

FOUR BIG NEEDS

He then outlined these needs: 1. An organisation leading and inspiring freedom-loving nations "where we find them" to provide "real collective security against Communism." 2. International control of the atomic bomb.

3. Find a force or create a way within or without the United Nations for preventing Russia with its veto from continuing to be both dictator over her own conquests and dictator of international policies at Lake Success.

4. Meet the challenge of Communism on the home front through education and Federal legislation similar to the Communist control bill which Senator Mundt introduced in Congress. —United Press.

Climber's Fatal Fall From Rock

Trento, Italy, Apr. 18.—A 24-year-old Italian climber, Walter Pece, of Bolzano, was killed yesterday when he fell 200 metres from a steep rock face in the Torre di Gella group of the Dolomites.

Two girl climbers, roped with him, were saved because the rope snapped on a sharp rock as he plunged to his death. They clung exhausted to the rock for several hours before being rescued. —Reuter.

• Gunman's Widow Becomes Mother

Montreal, Apr. 18.—Mrs Noel Cloutier, widow of a gunman hanged on March 11 for the murder of two policemen, gave birth to triplets today.

Cloutier was executed despite pleas for a stay of execution because of his wife's pregnancy. One other man was also hanged for the murders, committed during an attempted bank holdup. A third man is under sentence of death. —Reuter.

Full-Scale Yangtse Battle In Progress

Talks Endangered

Nanking, Apr. 19.—Messages from Chinkiang early this morning said that a full scale battle was in progress last night on the Yangtse east of Nanking following the first major Communist attempt to cross the River to the south bank.

The latest messages said that more than a division of Communist troops and about 1,000 river craft at 10 o'clock last night advanced towards the south bank from Hohuaché Island.

At midnight Nationalist gun-boats and artillery were bombing the Communists fiercely. The Communists had then not succeeded in establishing a foothold on the south bank.

Hohuaché Island was taken 24 hours earlier by the Communists under the cover of an artillery barrage which bombarded Nationalist positions on the Yangtse south bank.

TAIYUAN ASSAULT

Twelve Communist armoured and one artillery division were yesterday attacking Taiyuan, the long besieged capital of Shanxi, according to a statement released by the Shanxi Provincial Office in Nanking.

It said that the Communists were particularly concentrating artillery fire on the eastern sector of the city.

Fighting is going on six miles outside the city walls.

The Nationalist Military News Agency reported last night that three Communist Army groups are concentrating on two islands in the Yangtse River north of Anking, 150 miles south-west of Nanking.

It said that the Communists claimed that they would be across the River by April 25.

NO MORE CONCESSIONS

An official Nationalist source said Reuters last night that if the Communists insist on their demands to cross south of the Yangtse River to supervise the re-organisation of Nationalist armies, the peace talks will collapse on April 20.

The Nationalist Government would not make further concessions as already indicated to the Communists in the negotiations so far at Peking. It claimed.

Kuomintang leaders are meeting here today to decide what approach should now be made to induce the Communists to waive the time limit for the peace talks and compromise on their demand that the Nationalists accept the Red-drafted peace agreement by April 20.

Unconfirmed Shanghai press reports today said that the Nationalist Government may move the seat of government temporarily to Shanghai if Communist troops should cross the Yangtse River preparatory to transferring to Canton.

The final decision is said to hinge on the outcome of the current peace talks in Peking.

MISSING MEN FOUND BURIED

London, Apr. 18.—Swiss Radio reports that a search party today found the bodies of the three-man Swiss military patrol missing in the Alps since April 10.

The men had fallen at a height of over 3,000 metres into a deep crevasse and had been buried by snow. It took six hours to get the bodies out of the crevasse.

The bodies were carried down tonight to Arolla, in the Canton of Valais. —Reuter.

German Police Fire On Demonstrators

Berlin, Apr. 18.—Eastern Sector German police fired on riotous demonstrators today in a crowd of 30,000 people, watching cycle races at the Berlin Stadium, the German news agency, DENA, reported. The agency said a police car had to face the resistance of an angry crowd to get away after the shooting.

Several pistol shots were fired, the report added, when the police had trouble in taking a man into custody. Spectators were beaten up, boxes overturned, and "mob tumult, fighting and shooting" followed, the agency said. It stated that the trouble, which lasted three hours, began with a demonstration against the organisers of the races. —Reuter.

End Of Berlin Blockade Prospects

SENIOR SOVIET ENVOY ON WAY TO WASHINGTON

London, Apr. 18.—Berlin reports that a senior Soviet envoy, believed to be General Malinin, adviser to the Russian Military Government, had left for Washington, were interpreted by diplomatic observers in London as a strong pointer to the existence of Soviet-American contacts on the possibility of ending the Berlin blockade.

No official comment was available from the Foreign Office here, but it was clear to observers that the British Government is not directly concerned in any feelings that may have been put out.

Before the weekend, a Foreign Office spokesman formally denied that any approach on the subjects of the Berlin blockade had been received from the Soviet Government. But it has been noted here that no categorical denial was made by Mr Dean Acheson, the US Secretary of State, when he was questioned on the matter.

For some days, therefore, it has been impossible to exclude the possibility of some truth in the many rumours of a Soviet approach to Washington. The probability—that the Soviet Government is making a fresh attempt to secure a solution of the German problem as a whole, before a West German Government is set up, and would even be prepared to raise the Berlin blockade as a preliminary, is thought by observers here to have been strengthened in recent weeks by the economic difficulties in Eastern Germany.

This German source stated, that the blockade was not one of the principal subjects to be discussed in Washington. Soviet-Military Government circles in Berlin were unwilling to state whether or not this envoy would attempt to make contact with Mr Acheson, the US Secretary of State, the source added.

It was learned that General Malinin had had important conversations with the new Soviet Military Governor, General V. I. Chuikov, and his political adviser, Mr V. S. Semenov, before leaving Berlin. —Reuter.

Canablanca, Apr. 18.—Forty people were injured, some seriously, when a wooden stand collapsed at a gymnastic festival here this afternoon. —Reuter.

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Holiday Ends In Blaze Of Sunshine

London, Apr. 18.—The phenomenal Easter holiday weather held out for holiday-makers in Southern England, who crowded beaches and parks for a final sunbath before tomorrow's "back to work."

People in the North were not so fortunate, with heavy rains and cloudy skies breaking the weekend heatwave.

In Berlin, the sudden heat spell brought out Berlin's famous Linden trees almost overnight. The record Easter fuel airlift provided electricity for welcome extra trams.

Paris enjoyed the warmest Easter most people could remember, with French holiday-makers again basking in sunshine today.

ATLANTIC FOG

Less lucky were the trans-Atlantic passengers on the liner Queen Elizabeth, which arrived late at Cherbourg today because of continuous rain and fog during her crossing.

Travel companies estimated that about one million Parisians had left their sweltering capital, the warmest place in France. Today's shade temperature was 28 degrees Centigrade.

Berliners with picnic baskets and sunglasses again packed the trains to the surrounding lakes and woods. The record Easter fuel airlift provided electricity for extra trams.

Potsdam Observatory forecast clear weather for another two or three days.

COLOMBO UNLUCKY

In Colombo, torrential rains during the weekend brought Ceylon a very different Easter. From Europe's record-breaking spell of sunny weather. Floods swamped roads and disorganized the train services in the capital and several houses collapsed.

Shops, offices, banks and factories all over Italy closed down today for the Easter Monday holiday—one of the most important in the Italian year.

From Milan, thousands of holiday-makers went north to the lakes. From Rome crowds left for the sea at Ostia or for the Alban Hills. The weather continued hot and brilliantly sunny all over the country.

In Rome, the maximum temperature was 26 degrees Centigrade.

Half a million railway tickets have been sold by Rome railway stations since last night, taking one-third of the city's population into the country for the Easter Monday holiday. —Reuter.

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NEW ACCESSORY COLOUR



By ALICE ALDEN

A new vibrant shade lends lustre to the spring colour card. It is bamboo, a golden beige that appears in co-ordinated accessories as well as in siltings. Richard Koret, sponsor of this colour for bags, uses it for a rich bag of bamboo cuff suede, pointed up with amber shell knobs, and an outside pocket under the flap. This is a very smart companion for a navy coat dress, a black suit, and for natural linen later in the season.

POISE FOR TEEN-AGERS

By JILL MORRISON

POISE for teenagers is as important to boys as it is to girls. They seldom recognise this because they don't care much about how they look. But they do care about how they feel.

What they possibly don't know is that health of mind and body can be developed by getting rid of muscle-tensions; and that habits of wrong posture are often associated with disease. The thing to do is to develop the correct posture while you're young.

Here are some exercises which are designed to encourage you to carry yourself properly.

START off with this one to loosen-up too-rigid shoulders: Stand up with feet together. Clench the hands and place the fists firmly under the armpits. Now rotate elbows in a circle.

To give balance and poise do this to march-time music if possible:

Throw the right foot forward and put the weight on to it. Lift both arms above the head, putting the neck back. Turn the body and head to the left, dropping the arms in front until they are level with the shoulders. Face front, return to first position and repeat on left foot swinging to the right. Do this six times.

To correct a pigeon-toed walk, do this:

Sit on the floor with the soles of the feet flat against each other. (This exercise is best done with shoes and stockings removed.) Pull the feet back towards the body and as near to it as possible.

Repeat 12 times. Then, grasping the feet with the hands, clasp the soles together 20 times.

To help you to hold your body properly, even while sitting, do this out of doors if possible:

Hold your chin well up. Walk quickly. Flexing the shoulders back, put your arms behind you, gripping the right elbow with the left hand. Walk like this for 100 paces if you can. Repeat every day.

To strengthen legs and cultivate balance:

Stand with the feet six inches apart. Raise the body on to the toes, at the same time raising the arms sideways until they are level with the shoulders. Bend knees outwards, lowering body until you are almost sitting on your heels.

Keeping arms in a straight line, turn head and arms as far as possible to the right. Face front again. Raise body as slowly as possible, lower arms to side and heels to floor.

Repeat entire exercise four times daily, alternately to left and right.

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Debate On Delicious vs. Nutritious Held By 110 Food Editors

By JANE NICKERSON

A CURRENT conflict in food circles concerns nutritions versus deliciousness. Can the good-for-you foods also be good to eat? Would we rather be told, "It's nourishing," or "It's delectable"? Is eating a science or an art?

When 110 newspaper food editors get together—as they did in New York not long ago for their fifth annual conference—they talk shop between sessions. This year they touched on the nutritious-delicious controversy, especially in terms of what their readers like to read. They wondered aloud whether women want food discussed as a pleasure to the palate or as an enhancer to health. Or both?

One speaker said at the conference: "We don't like to talk about bananas being good for people. We don't consider that approach makes food attractive." But at the luncheon that followed, a Government representative remarked in private conversation, "To what can we lay the steady and almost spectacular rise in fluid milk consumption during the last quarter century if not to general discussion of its nutritive value in diets?" And someone else spoke of the Department of Agriculture's survey of housewives in Richmond, Va., last spring, in which women said that the recipe they receive most cordially is the one that's offered as being "good for children."

"She hates to diet," confided Marie, "but she has to. She begs for a piece of toast, but I rush her the trade papers and hope she'll forget about it." The second biggest problem is getting up in the morning. A movie star usually has to be on the set by 7 a.m.

"She's never late," bragged Marie, "and she always knows her lines."

Miss Sothern is very fussy about her clothes and makeup when she's working on a picture.

Doesn't Eat Fish

"She'll sit in the sun for hours waiting for a bite," Marie giggled. "But she never eats fish."

"There isn't a phony bone in her body," she said. "She never pretends about anything. If she's mad, everybody knows it. It's the same when she's happy."

"She likes to do things the easiest way. She doesn't like to walk and she doesn't like to drive. Always has a chauffeur."

"She never goes shopping but has clothes brought to the house. She never sees her previews. Instead she talks to her friends for hours until she finds out exactly what they think about a picture. She doesn't like them to fib to her."

—United Press.

If one pool-pooch nutrition, one is turning one's back on such excellent work as is being done on maternal and infant diets by Dr. Ida Macy Hoobler at the Children's Fund of Michigan, on research into overweight and its influence on high blood pressure, diabetes and other ailments, on investigations into food and its effect on dental health.

Types of Stain Remover and How to Use Them Correctly

By ELEANOR ROSS

A READER writes that while she has become rather adept at removing stains from household linens and her youngster's clothes, she is still rather confused by the names and functions of the stain removers and would like some information about them.

For others who may be interested, let's start off by dividing stain removers into three general categories: There are solvents, there are bleaches and there are absorbents. The bleaches in common household use include hydrogen peroxide, nitric acid, lemon juice and salt.

Dissolve Substances

The third category is made up of solvents. Water, carbon tetrachloride, benzene or alcohol are solvents, that is, they dissolve other substances. To

sponge with a solvent, lay the fabric spot-side-down on a clean blotter or a pad made of folds of clean, absorbent cloth. Then apply the solvent with a cloth, using light strokes and from the outside to the centre of the spot. To avoid rings do not apply too much solvent at a time, and spread mixture unevenly at the edges. Work rapidly. Change pad as soon as it becomes soiled. If the material is dark, wet an inconspicuous part, such as a hem of a dress, and use it to sponge the spot. Water spots may be removed by rubbing fabric between hands when dry.

Boiling water is used for removing fruit, coffee, or tea stains from white cotton or linens. Stretch fabric over bowl and pour water from a height of 2 to 3 feet.

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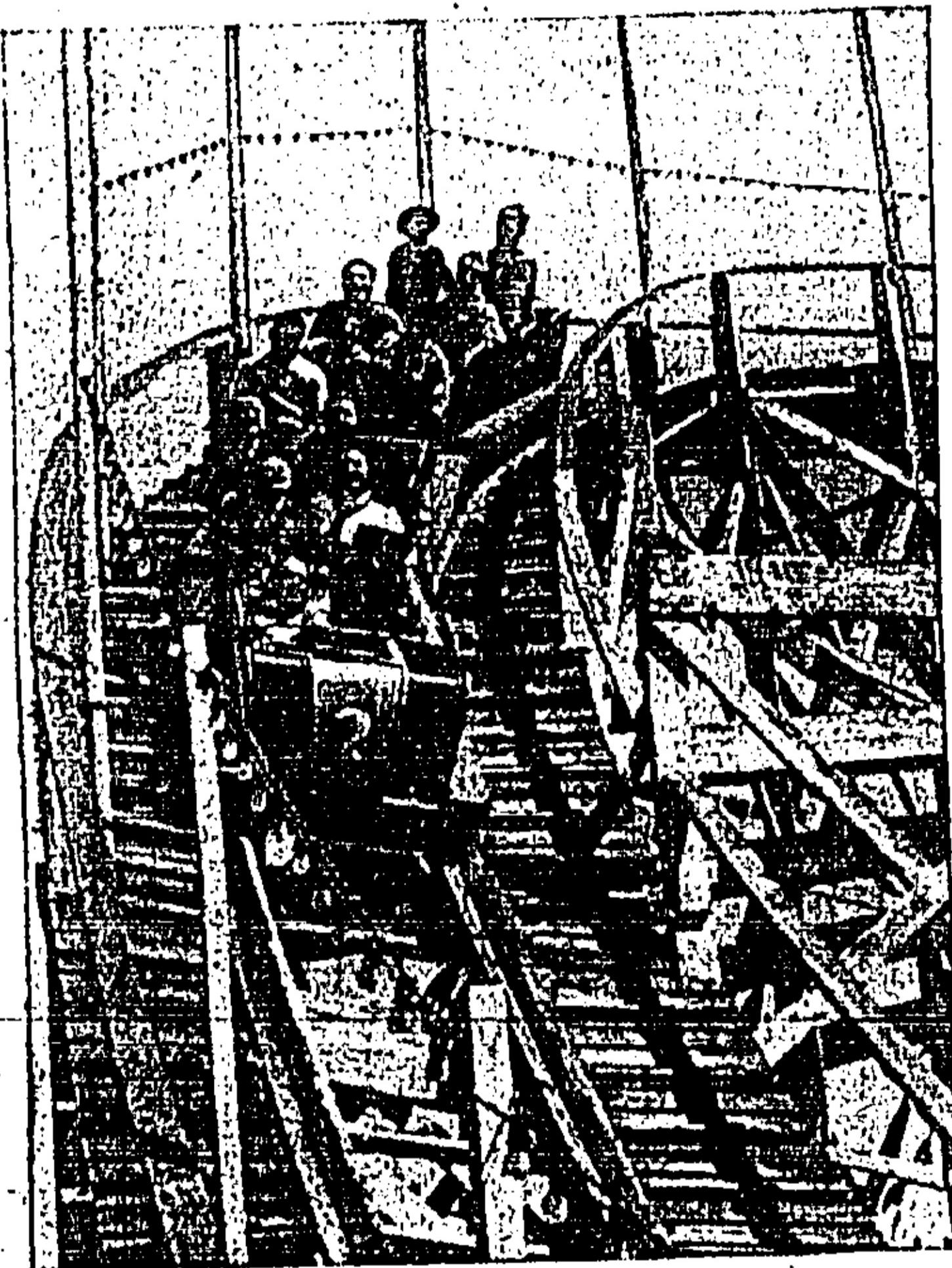
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



WEARY OF IT ALL—Tommy Ray sits on a mattress in Blackwell, Oklahoma, and looks disgustedly at the house wall which fell on to his bed. A tornado caused the damage, and Tommy's wondering how to fix that with something stronger than props.



WITH BUTTERFLY STOMACHS—These ride-testers roar down an amusement park roller coaster at Palisades Park, New Jersey, with their hearts in their mouths. After a winter of idleness, all the amusements are being dusted off for a new season.



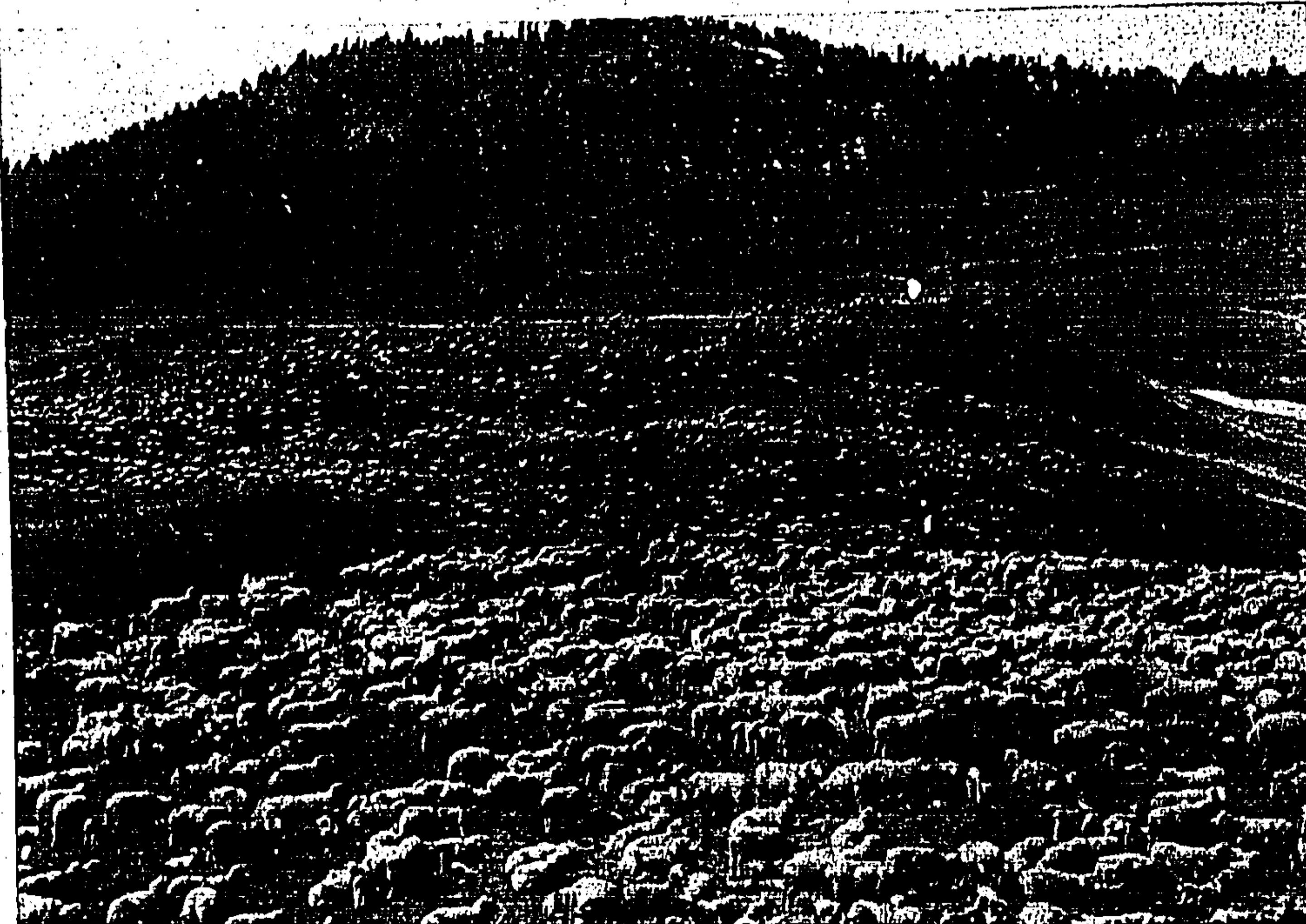
ONE BARE IS DIFFERENT—Little Harold Jackerson of New York got away from his mother in Miami Beach and scampered out with his two toy bears. But since he was bare himself, he didn't stay on the beach very long.



FOR DEEPER DIVING—Otis Barton, left, and Hans Carstensen inspect the benthoscope through which recordings will be made of deep sea life off California. The machine is expected to penetrate to twice the depth of any previous attempts.



LUNCH TIME—During a visit to the primary school in Haranomachi, Japan, a US Army corporal supervises the school lunch period. To ensure that the students get a properly balanced diet, a lunch programme has been introduced in several schools by the Educational Section, Miyagi Military Government Team of the U.S. Army.



FOOD AND CLOTHING—This is part of a herd of sheep which is being fattened and shorn on the 6,000-foot Alpine pastures of a ranch near Kamloops, British Columbia. The lambs will provide a lot of chops for the dinner table next autumn, and their wool may be the yarn in that new suit for 1950. They'll soon be moved to summer pasture 150 miles away.



GETTING TOGETHER AGAIN—Greeting a former servicewoman at a London reunion of the Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps, smiling Princess Elizabeth recalls war days. The Princess praised the work of the ex-servicewomen, of which she is one.



PREVIEW—Betty Lindquist, in Miami Beach, Florida, just couldn't wait to display her new bonnet. The parasol protects her from the sun.



WARMER, WITH COLD—Nora Jimenez, 18, enjoys the spring sunshine while seated on an ice formation along the shore of Lake Ontario, near Oswego, New York. Nora is a student at the New York State Teachers' College.

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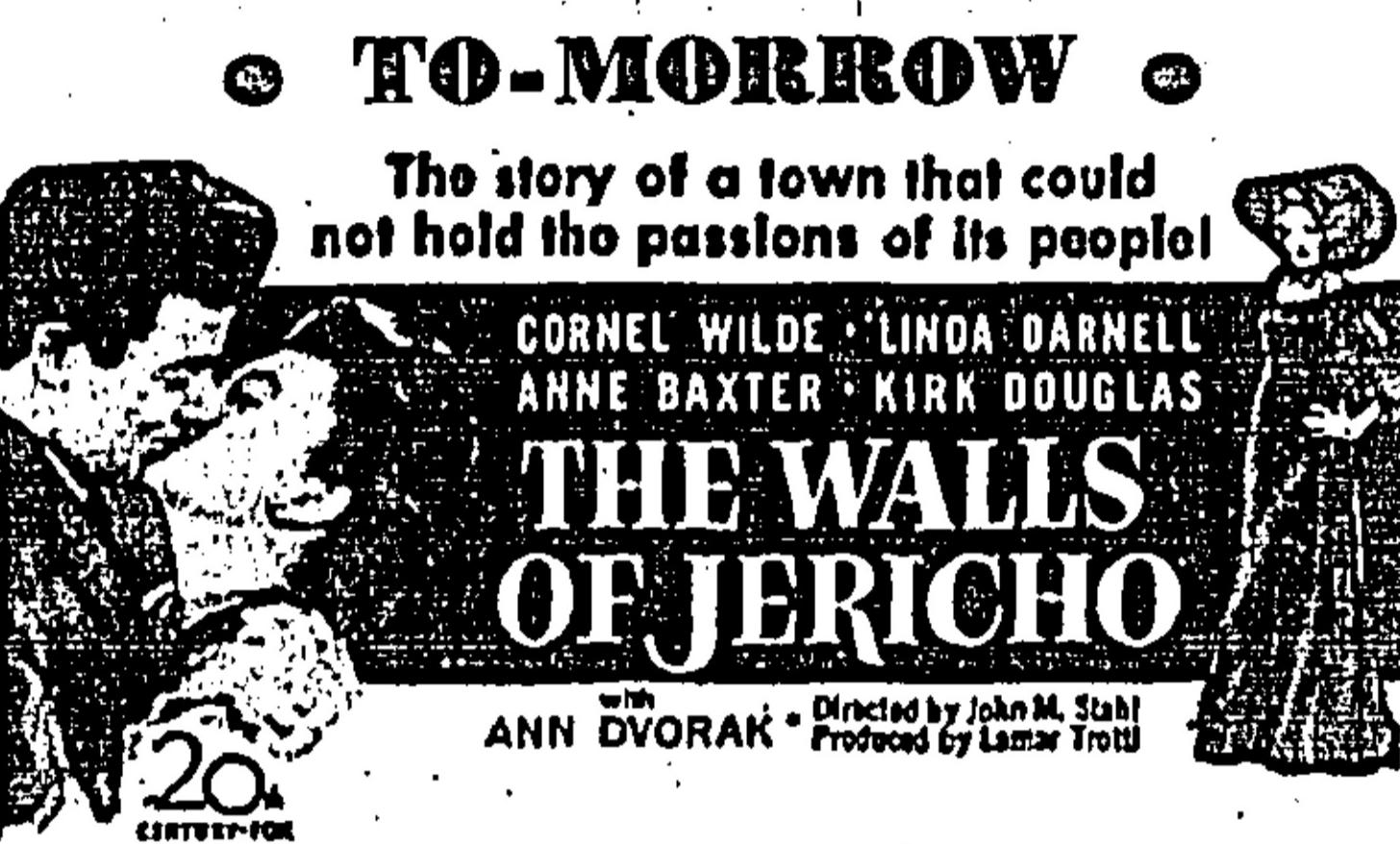
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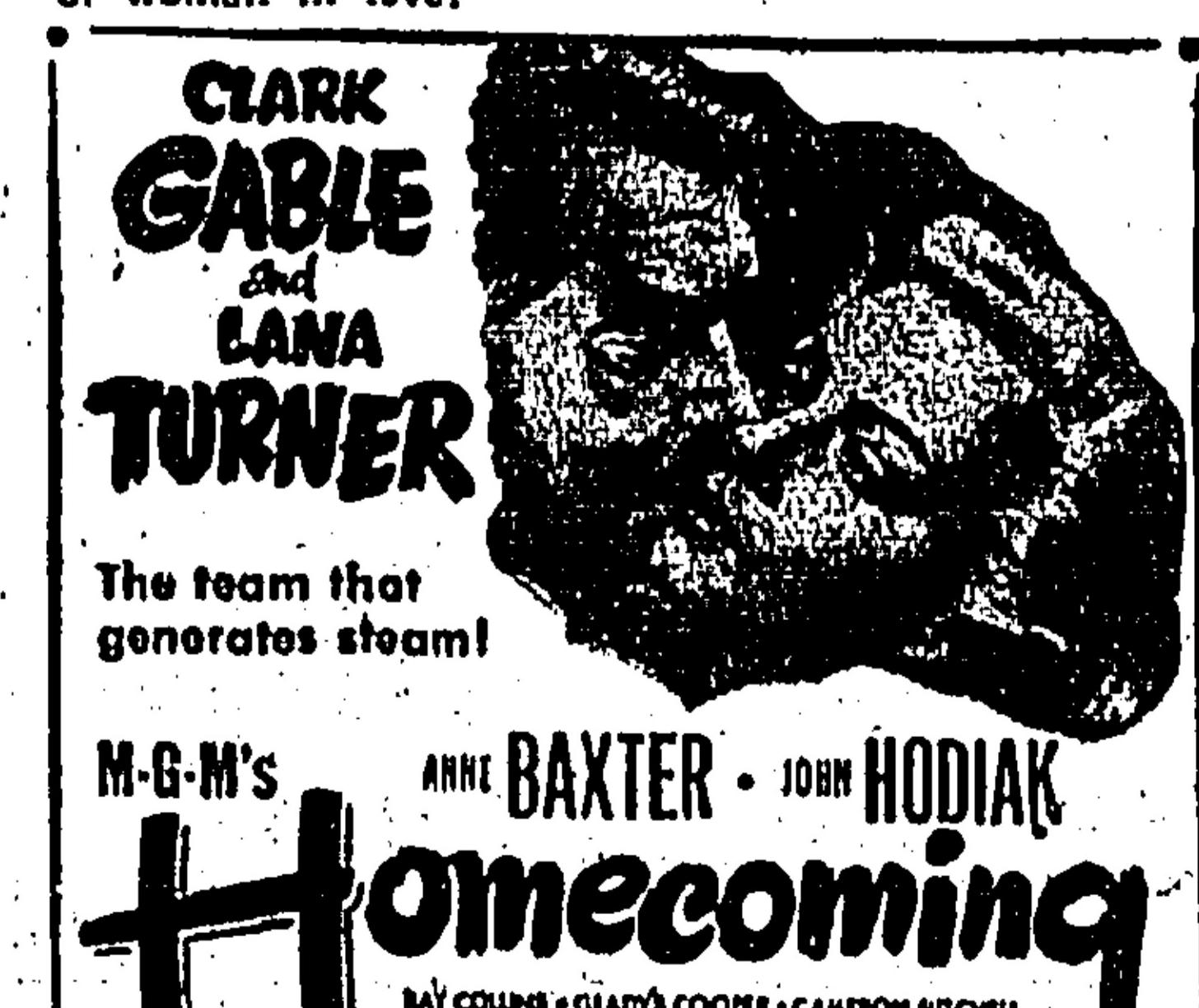
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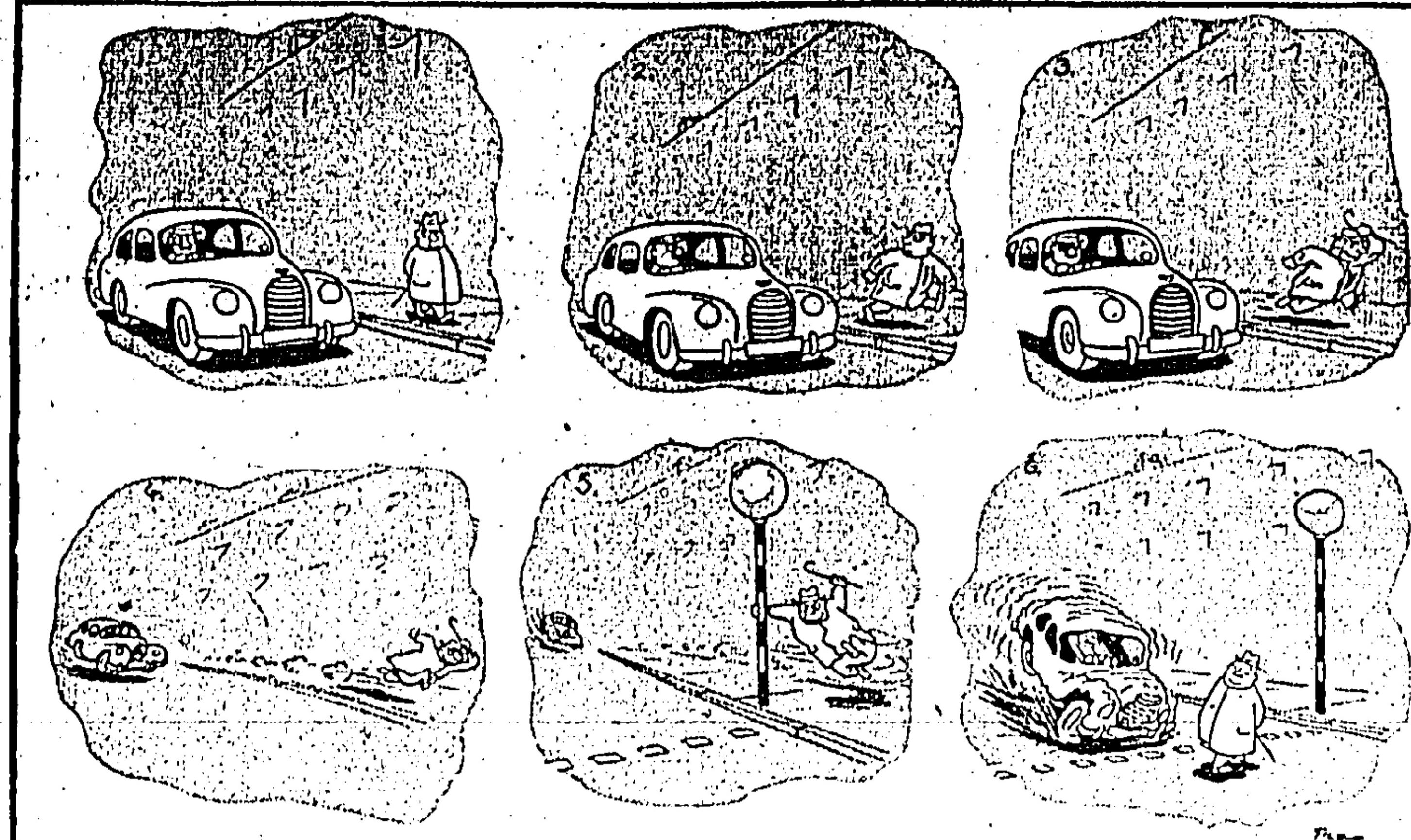
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T'S ALL EYES ON TITO

JANINA (Greece). In actual travelling time it has taken me only a few hours to get here since Mr. Buttler, our village carrier, drove me to the station through the quiet, gossipy lanes of peaceful Suffolk.

Yet here I am now, high up in Northern Greece with savage, snow-topped mountain peaks glowering down on me and war all round. Not just a political and economic war either, but a real live shooting war.

It is soldiers, everywhere here—soldiers, armoured cars, ambulances, despatch riders, refugees, and prisoners.

For me the prisoners are the worst part of it all. They have been captured in the fighting high up in the mountains only a few miles from here.

The majority of them are not Communists, but simple peasants who were press-ganged.

When they have been fed, D.D.T. bathed, and re-clothed, they will be screened. If they are not Communists or volunteer guerrillas, they will then be set free again to go home or join Greece's 700,000 refugees.

The threat

YES, Suffolk seems a long way from all this. But unfortunately it is not. It is closer even than the flying distance. I say so because:—

THIS war here in Greece is

part of the same general campaign which, with varying methods, the Soviet Union and the Cominform are waging against the Western way of life throughout the world.

BECAUSE the latest phase of the shooting war here in Greece is capable of involving us all. Paradoxically it may bring Greece itself temporary peace.

The Politburo have decided to let up on the war in Greece and devote all their attention to

Tito's rebellion in Yugoslavia has not only set a dangerous example of successful defiance. It has deprived Russia of direct access to the Adriatic Sea, traditional objective of Russian imperialism, which the Kremlin had achieved.

Russia has, therefore, decided to call off for the time being the drive to the Aegean Sea—the strategic objective behind her campaign to establish a Communist regime in Greece. Instead she is concentrating all her Balkan forces, including the Greek guerrillas, on regaining access to the Adriatic and crushing Tito.

To work more smoothly with

Bulgarian and Albanian army units, the Greek guerrilla army has been entirely reorganized.

Gone are the small dispersed guerrilla units which used to conduct harassing warfare

against the Greek Army and

gendarmerie, effectively de-

stroying the economic life of the country. Gone, too, is their chief, self-styled Generalissimo Markos.

Pretty fair, I would say, always providing: (1) There is no powerful treason against him from his own friends; and (2) The Russians do not turn the guerrilla campaign into a full-scale open war.

Who will be the new Presi-

dent? Sir Alfred, said, "I

Here in Greece Moscow's plan is clear . . . To be sure of a corridor to the Adriatic—with Yugoslavia encircled . . .

The tactic by which this is to be achieved has now become clear. It is the most dangerous game that the Kremlin has yet played, and it may be the reason for the changes in Moscow's hierarchy.

Their objective in all this was explained to me by Colonel Tsitsibos Selatos, newly captured chief-of-staff of 138 Communist guerrilla brigade, a fair-haired young Greek dressed in American uniform and Russian boots.

Stalin's plan is to allow Hitler's old ally, Bulgaria—supported by Mussolini's old ally,

Instead, 20,000 men of the Greek Communist guerrilla have been organised in corps, divi-

sions, brigades, regiments, bat-

talions, and companies. They

have been making a series of

costly full-scale attacks on large

centres like Florina, Naousa,

Carpentras, and, last of all,

the town of Arta, near Janina.

Although there are already isolated areas of Yugoslavia, like the shores of Lake Dolman on the Greek border, where the guerrillas appear to rule rather than Tito, I believe he will have much less difficulty in dealing with this type of war than the Greeks have had.

For Tito has a loyal and

ruthless Gestapo. He need not be squeamish about Western opinion.

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A BIG JOB GOING IN PICCADILLY

by BERNARD DENIR

There's a big job vacant at Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W.I.—headquarters of the Royal Academy of British Art.

No less a job than the Presidency. It has to be filled before the end of this year, because Sir Alfred Munnings, K.C.V.O., is resigning.

Therefore 51 painters, architects and sculptors will assemble in a picture-hung room at Burlington House to elect his successor.

Their choice will be submitted to Buckingham Palace for approval, and the new President will be invested by the King with the gold chain and medal given to the Academy by George IV—his great-grandfather. This medal and chain will be worn on all ceremonial occasions.

FORMALITY

FOR Tito himself had been the founder of the postwar movement for a Free Macedonia under Yugoslav overlordship. Now his moves become clear.

He has closed down the clandestine radios of N.O.F. and Free Greece. Both radios have since started up again in Bulgaria.

According to Tsitsibos and the Communists recently captured in the Mount Vitosha area, Tito is locking up all guerrillas fleeing for refuge from Greece into Yugoslavia. He is also reported to have massed troops in Southern Yugoslavia.

Resignations are not frequent, although, since 1918, there has been a rule that members of the Academy should resign from all offices when they are 75.

Sir Alfred Munnings has not yet reached the age of retirement. He became President when he was 60 in 1944, beating Augustus John by 24 votes to 11. But he has decided to resign so that he can devote more time to his two great loves—painting horses and racing them.

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The Criminals We Deserve

By Sir Alexander Paterson

LONDON. HAS the war, with its unhappy aftermath of economic shortages and bureaucratic superfluity, left us also with a young generation of gunning gangsters who for years to come will make life precarious?

Recent shooting cases have awakened a sense of uneasiness and apprehension. But it is well to take a long view.

Public opinion may be easily alarmed and inflamed. One dramatic case in the courts makes a deep impression on the human memory and judgment. Should a second or third similar case be reported in succeeding weeks, that impression is beaten in even more deeply, and may well become fixed obsession.

There is then "a danger that public opinion may be diverted in one of two directions. It may demand more summary justice and more severe punishment or even succumb to the old Pocahontas school of "hang the lot."

The second and perhaps more dangerous tendency leads to the depreciation of all the methods previously used to deal with the young gunman.

DESTINATIONS

SOME have been at Borstal, others at approved schools. These are apt to be wrapped up in a general condemnation, because one of the products of their training made a fatal appearance in the dock at Old Bailey, despite the fact that the dock is not the only destination of the boy from Borstal and the approved school. For every one who appears there, ten or a dozen or more have their names immortalised in the Roll of the RAF crews who are remembered daily in Westminster Abbey or in the regimental memorials throughout the country.

Sir Herbert Bowbiggin, for 25 years Inspector-General of the Police Force in Ceylon, faced a situation where murder by the knife was rife, and solved it by teaching all boys to box, maintaining that a boy who could use his fists never used a knife again.

GLOVES & GUNS STILL believing that gloves are the best substitute for guns in dealing with the best boy material in the world, I remain bewildered at the ease with which they procure guns, and the difficulties that surround the provision of a club, a qualified instructor, and a few sets of boxing gloves. There are many organisations today which can teach our English youth to box, but they do not receive adequate support from official or non-official sources.

Someone has said we get the criminals we deserve. It is certainly true that if our young men turn out to be a menace and a nuisance, they were once the boys we under-valued and neglected.

(London Express Service).

At the end of the first world war there were lugubrious prophecies that some five million young men trained in the use of arms would be a dangerous infusion into the civilian population. There were, it is true,

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want someone who is younger to take my place," and there can be no doubt that this sentiment will be echoed by many of his colleagues.

The Royal Academy is going through the most critical phase of its two hundred years existence. Never has it been criticised so forcibly as in the last ten years.

During his four years of office Sir Alfred has been a vigorous and undaunted champion of the Royal Academy, and an unyielding enemy to "modern" art.

While other artists paint still life, portraits and landscapes, he has specialised in the painting of horses. No portrait painter could lavish more loving care on the details of his sitter than Sir Alfred has on the glossy coats and shapely legs of Derby winners and Ascot greyhounds.

In the National Gallery of British Sports and Pastimes there are 10 horse portraits by him. At the last exhibition of his paintings he sold £12,000 worth of paintings in four hours.

Before the war he used to keep 21 horses in his stables. Now there are only three.

For the seventeenth President of the Royal Academy life will be no bed of roses. He will have a gold chain and medal; he will be knighted; he will receive £300 a year "for his own use and benefit" under strong traditionalism.

It has attacked the cleaning of pictures at the National Gallery, the works of Picasso, Matisse and Klee, the British Council's Tate Gallery and the provision of milk for school children.

But, as the representative of official British art, he will get more kicks from the moderns than half-pence from his orthodox supporters.

He has defended thatching, steak and fried onions, Eros, and

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Iraq Would Go To Aid Of Syria If Jews Attacked

Baghdad, Apr. 18.—Iraq announced today that she would regard any "Zionist aggression" against Syria's frontiers as an aggression against herself. Iraqi forces, if requested, would help Syrian forces to resist an attack.

This announcement was made after the Iraqi Premier, General Nuri Es Said, had returned from discussions with Colonel Husni Zaim, the new Syrian leader.

Appeal Dismissed

Embezzlement Of US\$6,970

Pleading severity of sentence, Kwan Pak-kui, alias Kwan Tae-leung, 19, a clerk, brought an appeal before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, in the Appeal Court this morning.

Kwan was sentenced to a year's imprisonment on March 14 by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central for fraudulent embezzlement of US\$6,970.

Stating the grounds for his appeal, Kwan told the Chief Justice that he had committed the offence on the spur of the moment. He asked for a reduction of his sentence.

Mr M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, who appeared for the Crown, said the embezzlement involved a total of six travellers' cheques sent from the United States to Kwan's employer. Kwan had intercepted them and cashed them at the General Post Office for the equivalent of HK\$35,000.

When Kwan was arrested, a total of \$21,000 was found in his possession. He had apparently \$2,000-\$3,000 on himself and had used the balance of about \$10,000 as a deposit for the purchase of a cafe which he intended to own.

Proceedings were still being continued by Kwan's former employer for the recovery of that money. Mr Heenan added.

Crown Counsel said he did not consider that the sentence passed on Kwan was manifestly unjust. Kwan, however, had given the Police every assistance after his arrest, and the greater part of the money misappropriated had been recovered.

Dismissing the appeal, the Chief Justice said he could not see anything that could be said for the appellant.

"Had you come before me," he said, "I would probably have given you more than the Magistrate did."

DEFENCE OFFENCES

Found guilty of conspiracy to rob and possession of arms, two men, Chan Seng-tung, 20, and Wong Kau, were sentenced to 34 months and two years respectively by Mr Latimer at Kowloon on February 15.

Both men brought appeals against their conviction before the Chief Justice this morning. They denied having committed the offences, and claimed they had no idea they had any arms in their possession. A newspaper parcel had been passed to them, they said, and they did not know it contained a revolver until the parcel was opened in the Police Station.

Wong Kau further pointed out to the Court that the period of detention before sentence had not been taken into consideration by the Magistrate. (Both men had been arrested at Yaumatei in November last year.) He also said that as a result of his imprisonment his wife and family had to be for n living.

"You would not have had that difficulty if you had not done what you are supposed to have done," said the Chief Justice. He added that he did not think the sentences passed by the Magistrate were excessive and dismissed both appeals.

Seven Years And Cane

Pleading guilty on arraignment to robbery by two or more, Man Kai, 28, farmer, was sentenced to seven years and 12 strokes by Mr Justice Williams (Pulse Judge) at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, said that at about 2.15 p.m. on January 10, Chan Puk-wah, a married woman, who was an agent of the Dairy Farm in a village near Kam Tin, New Territories, was in her shop when accused and two men armed with pistols, entered the premises and stole \$240 from a basket. The robbers then fled but were pursued. Accused was caught after a short chase.

Royall To Resign?
Washington, Apr. 18.—The Army Secretary, Kenneth C. Royall, today indicated that he does not expect to hold his job much longer. Testifying before a Senate sub-committee, he said at one point that "I or my successor" would have to find a "decision."—United Press.

UN Asked To Inaugurate "Unity Day"

Lake Success, Apr. 18.—The United Nations was today asked to designate April 25 as annual "Unity Day," to commemorate the San Francisco meeting to draft the UN Charter and the linking up of Russian and American forces at the Elbe, both of which occurred on that date in 1945.

The delegations from the Philippines, the Lebanon and Costa Rica submitted a formal resolution to Dr Herbert Evatt, President of the General Assembly, asking the Assembly to not April 25 aside as a special day.

It is understood that Mr Corazon Romulo (Philippines) will endeavour to have the Assembly take action on the April 25 proposal when it next meets, probably at the end of this week.

In a statement today, Mr Romulo said the observance of April 25 "could have a sobering effect by showing how little or how well the United Nations has fulfilled the promise of its splendid beginnings."

He added: "We now observe October 24 as United Nations Day, the real birthday of the organization, when the Charter came into force."

"April 25 each year ought to be observed as Unity Day—the day of its spiritual conception, when soldiers of the United Nations joined hands at the Elbe River in assurance of victory, and when states and men of the United Nations met together in San Francisco to realize the fruits of that victory in peace."—United Press.

NEW COMMITTEE

Lake Success, Apr. 18.—A new committee is to be set up to recommend a revision of the methods and procedures of the United Nations' General Assembly.

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Inquiry will be directed principally towards shortening debate.

The Committee will consist of the five permanent members of the Security Council plus Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Uruguay, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, India, Iran, Mexico and Sweden.

The Committee was directed to submit a preliminary report, if possible, to the present session of the Assembly, and to send its final report to the Secretary-General not later than August 15, 1949, for consideration by the next regular Assembly session.—Reuter.

BANISHEES GAOLED

Four life banishees who pleaded guilty on arraignment to breach of a deportation order were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment by Mr Justice Williams (Pulse Judge) at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Chen Hoi, alias Chiu Yee, who was given three years and six months, admitted three previous offences.

With five previous convictions Cheng Kong, alias Cheng Kuang, was given four years.

Wong Kau, alias Li Kam, received three years. He admitted two previous convictions.

Chan Ma-hei, alias Chan Wah, alias Chan Wah-kwai, was given four years. His record showed he had three previous convictions.

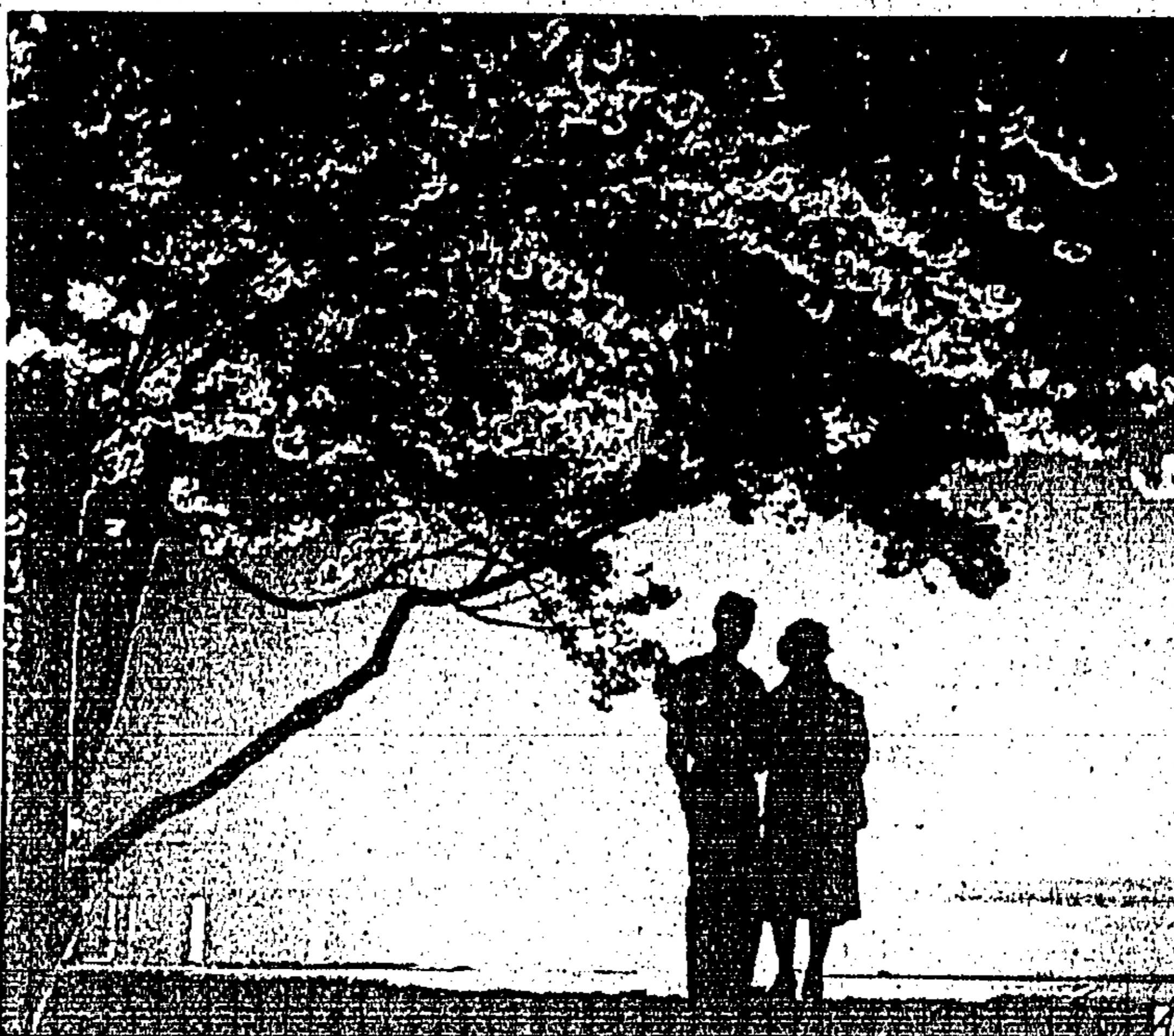
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Figures of a boy and girl are silhouetted under the cherry blossoms by search lights used for night illumination of the Tidal Basin, at Washington, D.C. The blossoms are out for the annual cherry blossom festival.

10 Years For "Vile Offence"

"This is a vile offence and I propose to pass a heavy sentence," said Mr Justice Williams (Pulse Judge) at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when sentencing Siu Cheuk-yin, 40, a messenger of the Central Trust of China, to 10 years' hard labour on two counts of demanding money with menaces. Accused pleaded guilty.

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Christianity Conference For Bangkok

Geneva, Apr. 18.—The future of Christianity in Asia will be discussed at a conference of Christian leaders from Asiatic countries scheduled to open at Bangkok on December 4.

The conference is sponsored jointly by the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council.

Problems to be considered include the co-operation of Asia's Christian churches, the relationship between Christianity and the major Asiatic religions, and the adaptation of Evangelisation methods to "the new social, economic and political factors" in Asia.

Countries to be represented at the conference include China, Japan, Korea, India and Pakistan. European and American missionary leaders are also expected to take part.—Associated Press.

Improvement In Injured Envoy

London, Apr. 18.—Mr Lewis Douglas, the United States Ambassador to Britain, who recently injured his left eye in a fishing accident, was examined this afternoon by his doctors who found a slight improvement.

Mr Douglas is resting at his London home, and is in good spirits, it was stated. The doctors will see him again tomorrow afternoon.—Reuter.

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DANISH BADMINTON FINALS

OOI GIVES FREEMAN HIS HARDEST MATCH EVER

Copenhagen, Apr. 18.—Dr David Freeman, United States Thomas Cup player and holder of the All-England badminton title, today won the Danish international championship when he beat Malaya's Ooi Teik Hock 15-11, 14-18, 17-15.

This was the third time in recent weeks that the American had beaten Ooi, for they first met in the Thomas Cup and then in the final of the All-England championship, Freeman winning both those matches.

Freeman admitted afterwards that it was the hardest match he had ever played. He opened well enough to run into a 3-0 lead, but Ooi came back to hold the advantage at 6-5 before Freeman assumed command to take the next six points. Ooi was far from finished, however, with 11-all called before the American ran out with the set at 15-11.

Ooi made a spectacular recovery in the second set to lead 12-11 after trailing 3-11, but Freeman gained a one point lead before the Malayan levelled at 13-all. Playing for five points Ooi won 5-2 to take the second set at 18-14.

Freeman seemed to be in a hurry in the third set and quickly ran into a 6-0 lead, but once more Ooi demonstrated his fighting qualities and drew up to 5-6. Every point was contested grimly to 14-all and then Freeman won the extra points 3-1 to win the set 17-15 for the match.

OTHER FINALS

The women's singles was retained by Tonny Ahm, of Denmark, who beat Kirsten Thorndahl, also of Denmark, 11-4, 11-3 in the final.

Chan Kon Leong (Malaya) and Tonny Ahm (Denmark) won the mixed doubles, beating Tage Madsen and Kirsten Thorndahl (Denmark) 9-15, 15-12, 15-2.

In the All-Malayan men's doubles final, Ooi Teik Hock and Teoh Seng Khoon beat Chan Kon Leong and Yeoh Teck Chye 15-7, 18-5.

In an exhibition match, Dave Freeman beat Tage Madsen (Denmark) 15-5, 15-5. The Dane led in the first set 4-0 and 5-3 and by 2-1 in the second set, but apart from those occasions the American dominated matters.

Madsen was obviously tired after a hard mixed double final. He had a lengthy absence from the game, but started training again with a view to the Malaya-Danish match of last week when he won a singles against Law Teik Hock.—Reuter.

£500 Prize For Speed Record

London, Apr. 17.—Any British motor cyclist riding an all-British bike can pick up £500 from the trade paper *Motor Cycle* by setting up a new world speed record.

The present record is 174 miles per hour, set by Ernest Henne of Germany in 1937. Britain had previously held the world record on 10 occasions. The *Motor Cycle* said if Britain regained the record an "enormous boost would be given to the export drive."

The only condition attached to the offer, besides nationality of the machine and rider, was the acceptance of the record by the ruling International body.

Because there are no suitable tracks in this country to take motor-bikes approaching the speed of 200 m.p.h., the *Motor Cycle* suggests that the attempts must almost certainly be made in the United States.

It names as a probable location Salt Lake, Utah, where the Englishman, John Cobb, set up the world's maximum speed record for cars.—Associated Press.

HONGKONG WINS 8-1

Manila, Apr. 19.—The Hongkong international team yesterday defeated the rest team of Manila, 8-1, for the second straight victory of its series here.

The contest was so one-sided that the crowd in Rizal Stadium lost interest after the first half.

Hongkong's forwards—Kwok Ying-kee, Chau Man-chi and Manuel Xavier—played brilliantly.

Kwok Ying-kee led the scoring with three goals and Chau Man-chi and Xavier each made two. Ho Ying-fun got the other.

Manuel Nieto scored Manila's only goal.—United Press.

Chess Turney Draw

The Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club for the season 1948/49 will be contested in two sections with the sectional winners playing off a two-round final. In case of a tie for first place in either section, the parties to the tie enter the final.

The first round will be played on Thursday, April 21, commencing at 6.30 p.m., under the new tournament rules and with clocks. A Tournament Committee comprising Messrs K. M. A. Barnett, S. Jiritsky and A. E. Gomes will supervise the tournament.

Games will be played once weekly on Thursdays, the preliminary single-round tournament to be completed in five weeks.

The luck of the draw has made Section "A" the stronger, but last year's Colony Championship finalists are evenly distributed in either.

Thursday's games will be:

SECTION "A"

J. P. de Carvalho v. A. Birukoff; L. Schure v. M. Feldman; V. J. Zirinsky v. E. M. Marchetti.

SECTION "B"

P. K. Prokopol v. Jacob R. W. Carter v. V. V. Kolatchoff; Joseph Tausz v. Ray Danenberg; Carter v. Tausz.

Friday's games will be:

SECTION "A"

J. P. de Carvalho v. A. Birukoff; L. Schure v. M. Feldman; V. J. Zirinsky v. E. M. Marchetti.

SECTION "B"

P. K. Prokopol v. Jacob R. W. Carter v. V. V. Kolatchoff; Joseph Tausz v. Ray Danenberg.

THE PROGRAMME

The complete programme for the preliminary rounds is:

Second Round

Birukoff v. Marchetti; Feldman v. Zirinsky; Carvalho v. Schure; Ramlar v. Danenberg; Kolatchoff v. Tausz; Prokopol v. Carter.

Third Round

Schure v. Birukoff; Zirinsky v. Carvalho; Marchetti v. Feld-

KCC TENNIS

Today's matches in the KCC Tennis Tournament are:

M. R. Snell & A. W. Wood v. R. S. Capell & W. A. Nicholas; P. Egall & J. J. Tolles v. R. Smith & H. E. Stagg.

Miss M. Figueiredo & A. E. P. Guest v. Mrs. Groundwater & R. R. Ternan.

W. A. Palmer v. J. W. Tattersall; V. V. Kolatchoff v. E. Randall.

Mister Conquest

(London Express Service)

STATESIDE SOCCER



HOME FOOTBALL

Surprise Defeat Of Portsmouth

London, Apr. 18.—A surprise defeat at Birmingham today robbed the First Division leaders, Portsmouth, of an Easter hat trick, but did not reduce their four-point lead over Newcastle.

Birmingham beat Portsmouth 3-0 in a strenuous all-out game, watched by more than 30,000 enthusiasts. The result was a shock to thousands of fans, who have been freely proclaiming Portsmouth as Britain's greatest club since the war.

Newcastle fared little better, losing to Middlesbrough 3-2. Only Manchester United brought any change in the top standings, leaping from fourth to third place with a smashing 3-0 victory over lowly Bolton.

The United have to share this position with Derby County, who defeated Burnley 2-0, and Manchester City, who drew 1-1 with Chelsea.

Continued hot sunshine drew heavy crowds to the League games throughout the country, the highest attendance being the 48,000 who saw Arsenal beat Blackpool 2-0 in London.

The League II leaders, Southampton, also faltered, held to a goalless draw on their own ground by Grimsby.

Cardiff displaced Tottenham in the fourth position of the table by defeating Blackburn 1-0 when the Hotspurs managed to draw with Brentford. Otherwise, the top positions remain unchanged.

In League III South, Bournemouth pushed Bristol Rovers out of third place, beating Nottingham County 3-2. Swansett remain on top, beating Newport County 2-1, and Reading held to second place, defeating Bristol Rovers 1-0.

Hull City, by defeating Gateshead, still share the leadership of the Northern Section with Rotherham, who beat Doncaster 2-0.—Reuter.

Final Round

Zirinsky v. Birukoff; Marchetti v. Schure; Feldman v. Carvalho; Tausz v. Ramlar; Danenberg v. Carter; Prokopol v. Tausz.

Fourth Round

Birukoff v. Feldman; Carvalho v. Marchetti; Schure v. Zirinsky; Ramlar v. Kolatchoff; Prokopol v. Danenberg; Carter v. Tausz.

Rugger Results

London, Apr. 18.—The following were the results of rugger matches played today:

RUGBY UNION

FIRST DIVISION
Arsenal 2 Blackpool 0
Birmingham 3 Port Vale 1
Chelsea 1 Manchester 1
Derby C. 2 Burnley 1
Everton 1 Charlton A. 1
Huddersfield 0 Liverpool 0
Manchester 3 Bolton W. 1
Mid'st' 2003 3 Newcastle U. 1
Sheffield U. 1 Wolves 1
Stoke City 2 Preston N.E. 0

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley 2 Lincoln C. 2
Bradford 1 Nottingham 1
Brentford 1 Spur 1
Exeter 3 Leeds U. 1
Leicester C. 1 Blackburn 1
Luton Town 1 West Ham U. 1
Plymouth A. 3 Fulham 1
Southampton 0 Queens P. R. 1
Worthington 1 Grimsby T. 1
W. Bromwich 1 Coventry 1

THIRD DIVISION

Bristol C. 1 Port Vale 1
Crystal Pal. 0 Torquay U. 1
Exeter City 3 Millwall 1
Ipswich T. 1 Southend U. 1
Northampton 1 B. & Hove 1
Norwich C. 0 Aldershot 1
Notts C. 2 Bournemouth 3
Reading 1 Bristol R. 1
Swansea T. 2 Newport C. 1

FOURTH DIVISION

Blackheath 17 West of Scotland 13
Bath 27 Old Merchant Taylors 6
Bedford 26 Wakefield 8
Bristol 19 Northampton 0
Cambridge 13 Old Paulines 3
Cardiff 20 Harlequins 8
Cheltenham 6 Notts 3
Cross Keys 8 Abberley 6
Exeter 16 Moseley 5
Gloucester 26 Sale 3
Manchester 13 North of Ireland 3
Neath 5 Aberavon 8
Newbridge 8 Nuneaton 3
Newport 8 London Welsh 6
Newton Abbot 1 Bridgend 3
Otley 6 Old Millhill 5
Penzance and Newlyn 3 St. Mary's Hospital 6
Plymouth Albion 11 Leicestershire 13
Pontypool 30 Birmingham 0
Redruth 6 Wasps 6
St. Ives 10 St. Thomas Hospital 12
Swansea 3 Barlions 10
Torquay Athletic 20 Old Cranleighians 0
Waterloo 14 Brinkenhurst Park 8
Western Super Mare 3 Coventry 25
Sheffield 6 Old Blues 6
Llanelli 20 Devonport Services 1

SUNDAY

FIRST DIVISION
CAA v. Navy Boundary Street, 5 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Chisholm; Linesmen: A. F. Willis & S. M. Liu.
Army-KL v. Solicitors' Boundary Street, 3.30 p.m.; Referee: Lt. D. G. Gaffney; Linesmen: Y. F. Mak & A. Leck.

SECOND DIVISION

South China v. KMB Boundary Street, 3.30 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Chisholm; Linesmen: A. F. Willis & S. M. Liu.
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SECOND DIVISION

Army-HK v. Tali Foo Boundary Street, 3.30 p.m.; Referee: Lt. D. P. Lal.

STATESIDE SOCCER

BASEBALL LEAGUE SEASON OPENS

Washington, Apr. 18.—The Senators made good today on a Presidential Command Performance—and made President Truman look good as picking the winner. They exploded a two-run rally, in the last of the ninth for a 3-2 victory over Philadelphia Athletics before President Truman and 26,000 other fans in the opening game of the season.

This was one which the President had "ordered" Washington to win. He made the request in Florida last month. The Chief Executive followed that up by predicting before today's game that the Senators would win 5-4.

For eight innings it appeared that President Truman would be denied the victory he sought and predicted. Philadelphia's right-hander Dick Fowler carried a 2-1 lead into the ninth in a battle with Ray Scarborough, also a right-hander.

Then, before he could get a man out, left-handed pinch hitter H. Robertson and Eddie Stewart stroked successive doubles to left field to score his team mates took advantage.

Terence D'Silva (left) of Bombay, India, goalie for the "Slovaks" leaps into play with arms outstretched as Fred Vagovsky (centre) of "Slovaks" uses his head to bump the ball out of danger in a first round game in the Illinois state soccer competition.

He hit a searching single to centre, scoring Stewart to win the ball game as Senators vindicated the President's confidence and judgment.

Bob Harris (second from right) of the "Schwabens" yells as his heading of the ball falls and Steve Daniels (right) of the "Slovaks" puts on an impromptu dance.—AP Wirephoto.

This Week's

Soccer

The following is the soccer programme for this week:

TOMORROW

FIRST DIVISION
Police v. S. China "B" Boundary Street, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: J. Ward; Linesmen: W. Gibson and H. Richardson.

Club v. Navy, Club, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: R. M. Omar; Linesmen: Sgt. Manson and P. P. Li.

RAF v. Kwong Wah, Stockwell, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: Capt. Chisholm; Linesmen: Pte. Collins and Y. F. Mak.

SECOND DIVISION
Dockyard v. Solicitors'; Navy, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: Lt. Davey; Linesmen: W. Gibson and R. L. Davey.

Tramways v. KMB, Army "B", 5.45 p.m.; Referee: Li Bing-tong; Linesmen: W. Gibson and R. L. Davey.

CAA v. Kit Chee, Chatham Road, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: A. F. Willis.

THURSDAY

SECOND DIVISION
Police v. South China, Boundary Street, 5.45 p.m.; Referee: F. A. Barretto.

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FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS •

• MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Uses Vienna Coup To Make Six Bid

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

One of the local players who I think will do well this year is Lawrence A. Wolf of St Paul. Larry operates one of the big men's stores in St. Paul and is a member of the board of the St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer Press Grand Slam Club. He showed his skill in the play of the cards in today's hand, which embodies a rather unusual type of Vienna coup.

He lost the first trick to the ace of hearts. Of course, when West saw the dummy, he



SCIENCE AT WORK

EATING YOUR WAY TO A LONGER LIFE

By PAUL F. ELLIS

YOU can eat your way into a healthier and longer life. So believes Dr Henry C. Sherman, professor of chemistry at Columbia University. He also believes the observation that some persons may be penning themselves in terms of health, efficiency and longevity is no longer a matter of opinion but is an established fact.

The new knowledge of the chemistry of nutrition, he says, is "far-reaching in its potential benefits for human well-being."

"Nutrition now offers definite promise," he said, "that the quality and duration of the life processes—and so of the life history—can be improved."

Laboratory experiments over a period of years have shown that three nutrients are the keys to better health and longer life. They are vitamin A, calcium and vitamin C.

He urges that more Americans use more of the three nutrients.

"Whether the extra years of life now so clearly offered by today's knowledge of nutrition can be conceived as seven or ten or less," he said, "they should always be pictured not as added to old age, but as inserted at the apex of the prime of life."

"Clearly this adds much to the prospect of the accomplishment of life's ambitions."

(Tomorrow—Book Parade)

Check Your Knowledge

1. Locate the Sulu Archipelago.
2. Name the animals that voluntarily gather in herds and go down to the sea and drown themselves.
3. Name the chief element of dynamite.
4. What is decagon?
5. Name the composer of "Humoresque."
6. From what is linen made?

(Answers at foot of Column 1)

BOYS AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

How Far Away Are the Stars?

—Knarf Was Sure He Could Touch Them—

By MAX TRELL

"ARE the stars in the sky a far away?" Knarf, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, asked his friend General Tin, the tin soldier.

General Tin, who always stood by the playroom door with his musket over his shoulder, remained silent for a moment or two before he answered: "Sometimes they're far away, and sometimes they're quite near. It all depends."

Knarf looked puzzled, so General Tin explained.

"It all depends on how close you can get to the sky. You see, the stars are stuck right in the sky, and the sky is right on top of your head."

"Oh," said Knarf. "I didn't know the sky was so close."

In the Sky

"Yes, siree," said General Tin. "The sky is always right on top of your head. And the stars are—as I just said—right in the sky. So they aren't very far away at all."

"Then it ought to be easy to touch a star!" cried Knarf.

"Well—not so easy."

"But why not? You just said they were stuck in the sky, and the sky was right on top of my head."

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Yours truly,

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FUTURE OF FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES

PAKISTAN ADVOCATES UN TRUSTEESHIP

Lake Success, Apr. 18.—A short-term United Nations trusteeship over the former Italian colonies in Libya and Somaliland, on the lines of the Soviet plan, was proposed to the Political Committee today by Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, chief Pakistan delegate.

The main outlines of Sir Mohammed's proposals, which diplomatic observers believed represent general Arab opinion, were:

- (1) Preserve the unity of Cyrenaica, Tripolitania and Fezzan under a five-year United Nations trusteeship, after which the whole of Libya would gain independence.
- (2) Somaliland should have a United Nations trusteeship administration for 10 years, after which it should be granted independence.
- (3) The United Nations administration for these areas should be assisted by an Advisory Council of nine members, consisting of representatives of Britain, Russia, the United States, France, Italy, the European and indigenous populations, Egypt and one other Middle Eastern state.

On Eritrea, Sir Mohammed made no specific proposals but he said that if Ethiopia claimed Cyrenaica and Italian trusteeship for Tripolitania and Somaliland.

Regarding Eritrea he viewed Ethiopian claims "with sympathy".

The Committee then adjourned for luncheon.—Reuter.

Cominform Attacks Tito.

London, Apr. 18.—Moscow Radio today quoted the official Cominform weekly journal in Bucharest as saying that Marshal Josip Tito, the Yugoslav Premier—"a camouflaged participant of the Atlantic Pact"—and his "clique" were performing a "special task in the plans of the imperialists for the preparation of a new war."

"American imperialists have right wing Socialist agents, such as Mr. Bevin (the British Foreign Secretary), and M. Leon Blum (the French Socialist leader), kulak agents such as Mikolajczyk and Ferenc Nagy, Catholic agents such as Mindszenty and Signor de Gasperi, and Fascist agents such as General de Gaulle," the article said, according to Moscow Radio.

"But they also need agents purporting to be Communists. They have acquired such agents in the person of Tito and his clique."

"Escaping Arabs were taking up in planes and hurled on the rocks below," Sir Mohammed continued. "In the pitiless desert, wells were sealed with cement."

"During these years, nearly half of the native population of Cyrenaica perished. The memory of these horrors is still fresh in the minds of the Arab population."

IRONICAL PROPOSAL

"The population was liberated by the Allied forces during the last war. What was it liberated from? It was liberated from Italian rule and domination."

"It is not an irony that it is now solemnly proposed to hand this population over once more to Italian rule and domination?"

"We are told there is a great difference. 'Italy was there before the war as an exploiting colonial power.'

"It will now be invited to return as a trustee under the United Nations. That is a distinction which would, in fact, not be much of a difference in the eyes of the population which has so recently undergone such cruel suffering at the hands of Italy, and whose memory of those sufferings is still so fresh."

Sir Mohammed said that any return of Italian rule would be found to revive a struggle between the administrators and the indigenous inhabitants.

UNITY OF LIBYA

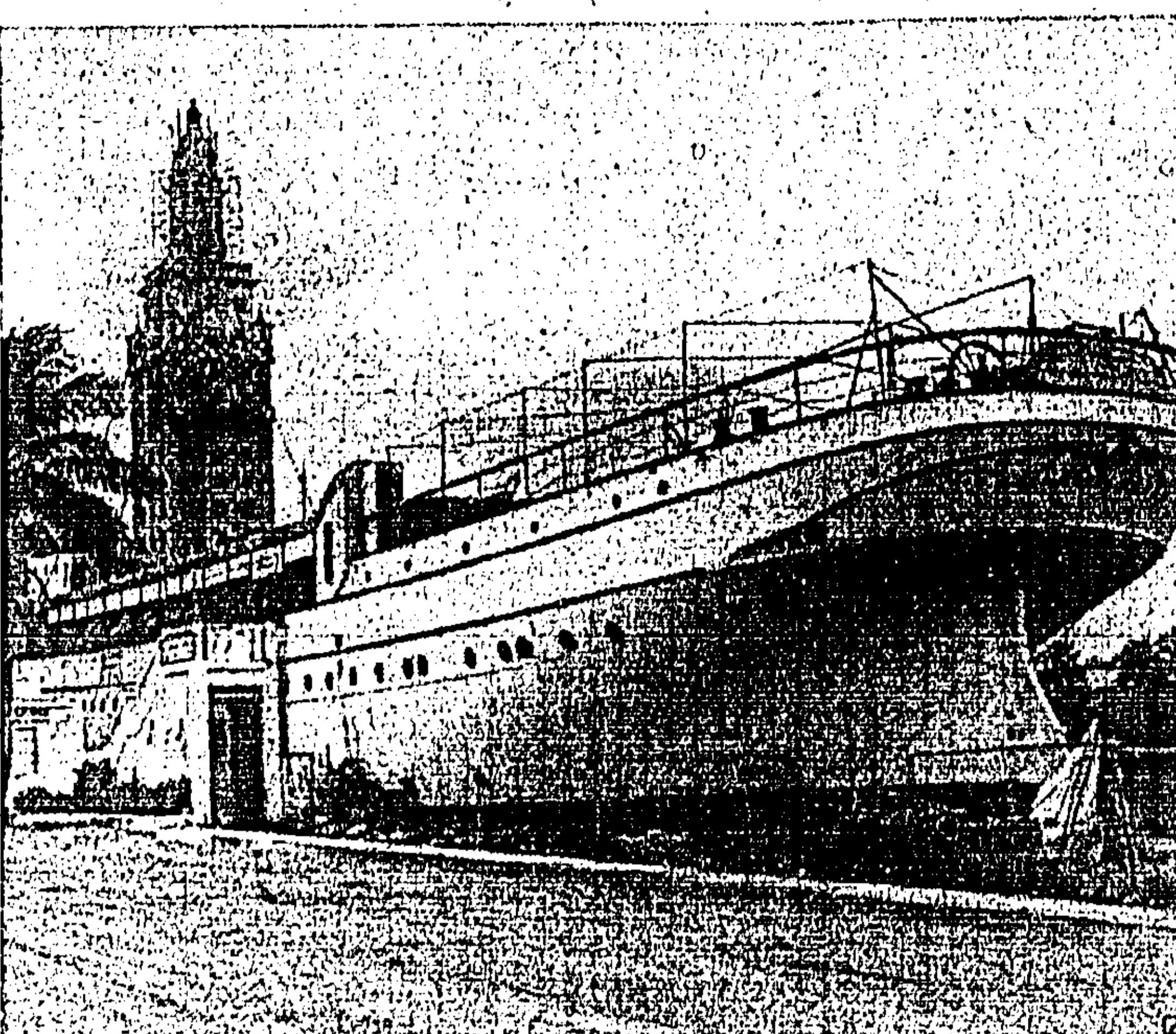
Discussing the alternative proposal for a general United Nations trusteeship over the areas, Sir Mohammed said that its great merit would be that it would preserve the unity of Libya and start with the good-will of the people themselves.

The Fezzan, he said, was a case in point. Supposing France were given a trusteeship over this area, the following might happen:

"Vested interests might during the interval be created. French immigration into Fezzan might take place, the economy might become integrated with that of neighbouring French possessions, and considerations of security and strategy might make an integration of the Fezzan with Tunisia or Algeria inevitable."

Senor Hernan Santa Cruz (Chile) supported the idea of British administration.

Landlocked Ship Ordered To 'Sail'



The Prins Valdemar has been ordered to "sail" by Miami officials who will not renew its permit to occupy city-owned land. The vessel capsized 23 years ago, was raised and landlocked for use as an aquarium and restaurant.

Ireland Stands Alone As A Nation

NO ENTANGLEMENTS OR TIES WITH ANY COUNTRY SAYS MR COSTELLO

Dublin, Apr. 18.—The Republic of Ireland now "stands alone as a nation," Mr John Costello, the Prime Minister of Eire, declared at a press conference here this afternoon. "We have no alliances, entanglements or ties with any country in the world, but are to be reckoned with now as an independent State, however small we are."

Mr Costello continued: "Until partition goes, we cannot give the full contribution we could give in economic and military co-operation in the defence of peace."

Mr Costello said the Eire Government would be prepared to allow the people of Northern Ireland to retain their present powers of government, provided that the powers of defence and foreign affairs were in the hands of an All-Ireland Government.

"Although we have severed ties that bound us to Great Britain and the other members of the Commonwealth," he added, "we believe that what has been done today will ensure more cordial and closer cooperation, greater and more real friendship between Ireland, Great Britain and the other Commonwealth countries than could ever have existed under the former conditions."

Mr Costello thanked the people of the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa for the part they had played in helping Eire.

In Northern Ireland, where the celebrations of the inauguration of the Republic of Eire today were banned by the Government, no incidents were reported.

ULSTER BOYCOTT

Many Nationalists in Ulster joined with Mr Eamon de Valera in boycotting the celebration, on the ground that there was no cause for rejoicing so long as the country remained divided.

Mr Sean MacBride, the Foreign Minister of the new Republic, said tonight in Chicago that if Ireland joined the Atlantic Pact while partitioned, she would "almost certainly" face the threat of a civil war in the event of a crisis.

Mr MacBride, who was speaking at the Irish Fellowship Club banquet, said: "While this unnatural partition lasts, any military alliance or commitment involving joint military action with a State responsible for the partition is for us quite impossible."

Mr MacBride added that no Irish Government could hope to obtain the necessary support from the Irish people for such a commitment. Ireland was in complete agreement with the objects of the Atlantic Pact, but had not joined it because

it included a military alliance with Britain as this was in the interests of both countries. "If partition is removed, it is inconceivable that Ireland should ever constitute a source of embarrassment to Britain in time of war."

FEDERATION SUGGESTED

Mr MacBride said he was very interested in the suggestions emanating from Chicago which proposed a Federal solution for Ireland. "As far as we are concerned, we should certainly be prepared to consider such a solution. Under our Constitution, full and adequate safeguards are provided for minority rights. If these were considered sufficient we would be quite prepared to provide such other additional safeguards as could be reasonably required to allay any fears, real or imaginary, that a minority might have."

"Under such a Federal solution, the first step would be to transfer to an All-Ireland Parliament the powers which the British Parliament have retained," he said.

Mr MacBride said Ireland was most anxious to develop

friendly relations with Britain as this was in the interests of both countries. "If partition is removed, it is inconceivable that Ireland should ever constitute a source of embarrassment to Britain in time of war."

FRIENDLY COUNTRY

"On the contrary, it would be the case of friendly and united Ireland on Britain's western approaches. This is in the interest not merely of Britain and Ireland but of all the countries concerned with the security of the Atlantic area."

The Minister said there were also strategic considerations in the way of Ireland's adherence to the pact. Ireland's defence could only be undertaken effectively by a single central authority, supported by a decisive majority of the population.

The productive capacity of the whole country would also have to be integrated under a central authority, but this was clearly impossible while partition lasted, because the partitioned six North-Eastern Counties contained the country's principal heavy industries.

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FUTURE OF INDIA

Mr Attlee Said To Be Concerned

London, Apr. 18.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, who will preside over the forthcoming Commonwealth conference, has hitherto made no effort to conceal his anxiety to retain India's association with the Commonwealth.

It was understood that Mr Attlee even envisaged a wider scope to Commonwealth nations to embrace Republican members, such as Burma and Ireland. Their matters reportedly on the agenda of the conference are Australia's meat agreement with Britain and the possibility of the Australian pound being restored to parity with the Pound Sterling.

South Africa is also understood to be bringing up the matter of the British Naval base at Simonstown, which Premier Daniel Malan has said should be transferred to the South African Union.

Official sources, however, stressed that the conference is simply "an informal exchange of views" and no decisions will be taken. They said that all recommendations by the Prime Ministers must be referred to their respective Parliaments for necessary legislation.—United Press.



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Self-Govt For Malaya Overture

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 18.—The Indian Congress Party in Malaya is to ask the British Government to help Malaya to achieve democratic self-government "within a reasonable short period." The request, which is to be sent to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr Arthur Creech Jones, asks Britain for political, economic and educational assistance to this end.

A resolution passed at the annual conference of the Congress, held over Easter, said: "We want Britain to end her colonial rule of Malaya and assume the responsibilities of trusteeship." It added: "This might entail small sacrifices on the part of Britain, but there would be a cheap price for the long-term advantages that would accrue from a Malaya that is friendly and grateful to Britain."

The resolution asserted that Malaya's Federal Constitution was not democratic and did not contain the seeds of democratic growth. It said the delegates believed the proposed programme would "considerably strengthen the confidence of the Malayan people in the British Government and enable Malaya to be a great asset to Britain and the Commonwealth."—Reuter.

DEATH OF NOTED SCIENTIST

Sharon, Massachusetts, Apr. 18.—Mr Joseph Cushman, noted biologist and director of the J.A. Cushman Laboratory for Foraminiferal Research, died here last night, aged 68.

He was known for his studies of minute sea animals called foraminifera. His work is that field led to a system of discovering petroleum deposits.

He was the author of 500 scientific articles and books.—Reuter.

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